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SUBJECT:DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING AUGUST 11

1. FOLLOWING IS GUIDANCE PREPARED FOR DEPARTMENT PRESS
SPOKESMAN FOR USE AT AUGUST 11 NOON PRESS BRIEFING:

2. BEGIN TEXT: TURKEY. Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON
PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT'S STATEMENT TODAY THAT HE IS WILLING
TO UNDERTAKE THE SWIFT OPENING OF U.S. INSTALLATIONS IN
TURKEY?

A: WE, OF COURSE, WELCOME THAT.

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AS YOU KNOW, TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL
SUKRU ELEKDAG HAS BEEN IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEK DISCUSSING
U.S.-TURKISH RELATIONS IN THE POST-EMBARGO PERIOD. THESE
DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN USEFUL AND THEY ARE CONTINUING TODAY.
AT THEIR CONCLUSION I WILL REPORT ON THESE TALKS. I HAVE
NOTHING SPECIFIC ON TIMING RIGHT NOW AS TO WHEN THEY MAY
CONCLUDE.

Q: HOUSE AND SENATE CONFEREES ARE WORKING ON THE ISSUE OF
LIFTING THE ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST TURKEY AND SENATOR MCGOVERN
OUTLINED HIS VIEWS ON A COMPROMISE IN THIS REGARD. CAN YOU

TELL US HOW YOU VIEW THE PROPOSALS HE HAS MADE?

A: AS YOU HAVE POINTED OUT, HOUSE AND SENATE CONFEREES
ARE MEETING TO WORK OUT DIFFERENCES ON THIS MATTER AND I
DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR ME TO COMMENT
WHILE THIS EFFORT IS UNDERWAY.

3. QUESTIONS WERE NOT RAISED AT AUGUST 11 NOON BRIEFING.
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